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SUBJECT: TENTATIVE DRAFT TEXT OF PROPOSED COMMUNIQUE ON
VISIT OF SECRETARY

1. THE FOLLOWING DRAFT REPRESENTS OUR INITIAL THINKING AS TO GENERAL SHAPE OF COMMUNIQUE WE WOULD ULTIMATELY RELEASE. RECOGNIZING OF COURSE MUCH OF SUBSTANCE WILL DEPEND ON COURSE OF TALKS THEMSELVES, WE SUGGEST YOU USE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT AS BASIS IN YOUR PRE-VISIT DISCUSSIONS OF TYPE OF COMMUNIQUE WE MIGHT WORK TOWARD. DESPITE TENTATIVE NATURE OF MUCH OF LANGUAGE, WE BELIEVE THAT AGREEMENT BEFOREHAND IN PRINCIPLE ON LENGTH, FORMAT AND GENERAL TONE WILL EASE NORMALLY FRANTIC LAST MINUTE DRAFTING TASK. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THIS TEXT ENVISAGES RELEASE OF JOINT REPORT ON STATUS OF CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM AS ATTACHMENT TO THE
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COMMUNIQUE. WE ARE AWARE GOM MAY HAVE PROBLEMS WITH IDEA OF RELEASE. WE ARE NOT WEDDED TO THIS FORMAT AND WOULD WELCOME GOM SUGGESTIONS.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF DRAFT COMMUNIQUE: IN AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO MEXICO CITY MAY 4, UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS VANCE MET WITH PRESIDENT JOSE LOPEZ PORTILLO AND

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CONFERRED WITH SECRETARY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS SANTIAGO ROEL AND OTHER SENIOR MEXICAN OFFICIALS ON A RANGE OF

BILATERAL CONCERNS AND MULTILATERAL AND GLOBAL ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

A. IN THEIR DISCUSSIONS AT THE FOREIGN SECRETARIAT, SECRETARY VANCE AND SECRETARY ROEL REVIEWED THE PROGRESS OF THE US-MEXICO CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM ESTABLISHED BY PRESIDENTS LOPEZ PORTILLO AND CARTER DURING THEIR MEETING IN WASHINGTON IN FEBRURY, 1977. THEY FOCUSED ON ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN DEALT WITH THROUGH THE CONSULTATIVE PROCESS AND IDENTIFIED AREAS OF EMPHASIS FOR THE FUTURE WORK OF THE MECHANISM. THE TWO SECRETARIES APPROVED A JOINT REPORT TO PRESIDENTS LOPEZ PORTILLO AND CARTER ON THE PROGRESS OF THE CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM IN THE FIRST YEAR SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT. IN THEIR DISCUSSIONS, SECRETARY VANCE AND SECRETARY ROEL WERE ACCOMPANIED BY THE SENIOR UNITED STATES AND MEXICAN OFFICIALS WHO ACT AS CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE WORKING GROUPS OF THE CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM ON ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS.

B. AMONG THE IMPORTANT SUBJECTS CONSIDERED BY THE TWO SECRETARIES, AND IN THEIR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO, WERE INVESTMENT, TRADE, FINANCIAL QUESTIONS, TOURISM AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION.
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BOTH SECRETARIES AGREED THAT, WHILE TEMPORARY DIFFERENCES OF OPINION EXISTED ON SPECIFIC PROBLEMS, THE OVERALL RELATIONSHIP WAS POSITIVE AND BENEFICIAL TO BOTH COUNTRIES. SECRETARY ROEL EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE TO MEXICO OF ACCESS TO U.S. MARKETS FOR MEXICAN AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, AND SECRETARY VANCE ASSURED THAT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION WAS DETERMINED TO RESIST PROTECTIONISM. MOREOVER, SECRETARY VANCE EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT FURTHER TRADE LIBERALIZATION WOULD OCCUR AS A RESULT OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS TAKING PLACE IN GENEVA, WHICH PROMISED MAJOR BENEFITS TO BOTH INDUSTRIAL AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. SECRETARY ROEL EXPRESSED MEXICO'S READINESS TO CONTRIBUTE TOGETHER WITH OTHER COUNTRIES TO THE LIBERALIZATION OF WORLD TRADE.

C. SECRETARY VANCE REMARKED THAT THE UNITED STATES FULLY RECOGNIZED THE RIGHT OF EACH COUNTRY TO DECIDE FOR ITSELF THE CONDITIONS OF ESTABLISHMENT FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT THAT WILL BEST MEET ITS OWN NEEDS. THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN OPEN, NON-DISCRIMINA-TORY ACCESS TO U.S. CAPITAL MARKETS. SECRETARY ROEL AGREED THAT FOREIGN INVESTMENT HAD A ROLE TO PLAY IN

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MEXICAN DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT HAD TO DIRECT THE ENERGIES OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN WAYS MOST BENEFICIAL TO MEXICAN DEVELOPMENT.

D. OTHER IMPORTANT SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION WERE THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND CONVENTIONAL ARMS RESTRAINT. THE SECRETARIES AGREED THAT PEACEFUL NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT WITH APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS, AND THAT RESOURCES SPENT ON WEAPONS WERE A DIVERSION OF CAPITAL AWAY FROM DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT COULD SERVICE BASIC HUMAN NEEDS.

FURTHER IMPORTANT SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION WERE ENERGY, HUMAN RIGHTS, LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION AND BORDER
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PROBLEMS. THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE MEXICAN FOREIGN SECRETARY REITERATED THE IMPORTANCE OF STIMULATING THE TWO-WAY FLOW OF TOURISM AND OF CLOSE COOPERATION IN THE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR COMMON BORDER AREA.

E. SECRETARY VANCE NOTED HIS ADMIRATION FOR THE SUCCESSES SO FAR ACHIEVED IN MEXICO'S ECONOMIC STABILIZATION PROGRAM, REAFFIRMING THE CONTINUING SUPPORT AND COOPERATION OF THE UNITED STATES. THE TWO SECRETARIES SIGNED AGREEMENTS ON TOURISM, EXTRADITION, AND MARITIME LIMITS.

F. CONSISTENT WITH THEIR PRACTICE OF REGULAR HIGH LEVEL CONSULTATIONS ON GLOBAL MATTERS, IN FURTHERANCE OF THEIR COMMON SEARCH FOR WORLD PEACE, ECONOMIC PROGRESS, AND RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS OF MAN, THE SENIOR U.S. AND MEXICAN OFFICIALS DISCUSSED THE SITUATION IN THE HEMISPHERE, THE MIDDLE EAST, AND AFRICA. SECRETARY ROEL EXPRESSED THE SATISFACTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO THAT THE UNITED STATES AND PANAMA HAD SUCCESSFULLY EMBARKED ON A NEW TREATY RELATIONSHIP. SECRETARY VANCE NOTED HIS GRATIFICATION THAT MEXICO HAD DECIDED TO ACCEDE TO THE AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

G. ALSO DISCUSSED WAS THE GENERAL SITUATION IN THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE ROLES OF THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO IN THAT ORGANIZATION AND ITS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND CONFERENCES, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT ARE FORUMS FOR THE ONGOING DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE DEVELOPED AND LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ON ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ISSUES. THE TWO SIDES AGREED TO CONTINUE TO CONSULT CLOSELY WITH THE AIM OF HARMONIZING THEIR OWN
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POSITIONS IN THOSE FORUMS AND PROMOTING CLEARER COM-
MUNICATION AND BROADER UNDERSTANDING INTHE GENERAL
NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE.

H. FOREIGN SECRETARY ROEL AND SECRETARY OF STATE
VANCE REAFFIRMED THEIR DETERMINATION TO REMAIN IN CLOSE
AND FREQUENT CONTACT TO ASSURE HIGH LEVEL COORDINATION
ON ACTIONS THAT MIGHT AFFECT BOTH COUNTRIES. THE
VISIT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE OPENESS AND
PRODUCTIVENESS OF HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ
PORTILLO, FOREIGN SECRETARY ROEL AND OTHER SENIOR MEXICAN
OFFICIALS RE-EMPHASIZED AND STRENGTHENED THE CLOSE,
NEIGHBORLY AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MEXICO
AND THE UNITED STATES. END TEXT.

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